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: ELECTRICAL POWER EXTRACTION FROM MECHANICAL

DISTURBANCES

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AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 6, 10, and 18.

Please amend claims 1-3, 5, 7-9, 11, 12 and 37 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of extracting power, comprising the steps of: coupling a transducer that converts mechanical power to electrical power to a disturbance,

coupling an electrical circuit to the transducer, the electrical circuit being configured such that a peak voltage experienced by the transducer is greater than two times higher than any peak voltage of an open circuit transducer due to the disturbance alone,

> extracting power from the transducer using the electrical circuit, storing extracted power, and powering the electrical circuit with power extracted from the disturbance.

2. (Amended) A method of extracting power, comprising the steps of: coupling a transducer that converts mechanical power to electrical power to a disturbance,

coupling an electrical circuit to the transducer, the electrical circuit being configured such that a peak of the integral of the current onto and off the transducer is greater than two times higher than any peak of an integral of a current of a short circuit transducer due to the disturbance alone,

> extracting power from the transducer using the electrical circuit, storing extracted power, and powering the electrical circuit with power extracted from the disturbance.

3. (Amended) A method of extracting power, comprising the steps of:

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